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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Investment Analyst with 4+ years of experience in public and private sector finance across emerging markets. Skilled in valuations, financial modeling, due diligence, and portfolio analysis, with expertise in fixed income and money market investments. Supports data-driven investment decisions through strong analytical and technical skills. CFA Level II candidate with a Master's in Finance, proficient in Bloomberg, Excel, and Python.

EDUCATION

American University, Kogod School of Business   **Washington, DC**
Master of Science in Finance (3.69/4.0 GPA)   *August 2023 - June 2025*

University of Zimbabwe   **Harare, Zimbabwe**
Bachelor of Science in Economics   *February 2017 - December 2019*

WORK EXPERIENCE

Investment Analyst | Oklahoma State Treasurer's Office – Oklahoma City, OK   *October 2025 – Present*
- Support the management of Oklahoma's $17.7 billion fixed-income portfolio, executing $100 million+ in daily trades and maintaining treasury cash positions to ensure 100% short-term liquidity across state accounts.
- Conduct market and interest-rate analysis across U.S. Treasuries, agencies, and MBS to identify yield-enhancement opportunities within statutory investment parameters, strengthening portfolio diversification and duration strategy.
- Prepare monthly investment reports, liquidity forecasts, and performance summaries for the CIO and oversight commissions, including governance support for the $2 billion Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET) and process improvements that increased reporting efficiency by 25%.

Senior Investment Analyst | ZB Bank - Harare, Zimbabwe   *March 2022 - August 2023*
- Managed a $64M investment portfolio, optimizing asset allocation through Python-based portfolio optimization (MPT), resulting in a 22% improvement in Sharpe Ratio.
- Conducted comprehensive market and industry analysis to evaluate investment risks in a hyperinflationary environment (285% inflation) and spearheaded initiatives to enhance investor relations, raising the client retention rate to 96%.
- Executed and settled equity trades worth over $4.7M annually under tight settlement cutoffs, achieving a 99% trade accuracy rate while meeting market deadlines.
- Built financial models, DCF and comparable company valuation models to guide investment projects, contributing to $3.2M in successful investment approvals.

Investment Analyst | Carrick Wealth - Harare, Zimbabwe   *February 2020 - February 2022*
- Delivered investment advisory to international investors on FX risk, country risk, and capital allocation in emerging markets.
- Built portfolio performance reports and dashboards in Power BI, increasing client reporting accuracy by 28%.
- Prepared valuation reports, execution roadmaps, and presentations for corporate transactions and capital markets engagements.

LEADERSHIP AND PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Acquisition transaction – M&A
- Co-lead a team of 8 successfully doing due diligence and the acquisition of Mashonaland Holdings, coordinated with legal, IT and HR departments.

SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Technical Skills: Excel , Python , R , VBA, PowerPoint, Bloomberg Terminal, Refinitiv Eikon
Analytics: Market Risk, Derivative Pricing , Monte Carlo Simulation, Stress & Sensitivity Analysis,
Soft Skills: Strategic Thinking, Problem Solving, Communication, Collaboration, Time Management
Certifications: CFA Level II Candidate (May 2026), Financial Modeling & Valuation (2022), Bloomberg Market Concepts